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Amendments to the Specification

Please amend the first paragraph on page 14 to read as follows:

FIGURE 5 illustrates another alternative embodiment for the method of generating a representation for a tile using the original format and number of bits per pixel or using a smaller index, as required at step 40 of FIGURE 2. As shown at a step 90 of FIGURE ~~6~~, 5, a test is made to determine whether using an index to represent the colors in the tile results in a data savings over the original number of bits per pixel. If the answer to this test is yes, then the colors in the tile are represented using an index at step 94. If the answer to this test is no, the tile is represented with the original bits per pixel at a step 92. Then, at block 96, processing returns to FIGURE 2.